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Dear Examiner Frech,

Thank you for taking the time to review the attached proposed amendments to the claims of this application. I would like to discuss the proposed amendments to independent claims 10, 27, 29 and 30.

Ann McCrackin

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SUGGESTED AMENDMENT (Not For Entry--For Discussion Only)

A computerized system for controlling programming of portable 10. [Amended] programmed data carriers across a plurality of personalization stations, the system comprising:

a personalization server interface for acquiring services from one or more resources, transferring card information associated with a card object identifier to one of the personalization stations, and controlling the programming of the portable programmed data carriers in response to a request from one of the personalization stations; [and]

a personalization station interface for requesting and receiving the card information associated with the card object identifier from the personalization server interface and for programming one of the portable programmed data carriers[.]; and

a controller interface for providing the card object identifier to the personalization station interface.

- The computerized system of claim 10, wherein the services acquired by 11. [Unchanged] the personalization server interface are data services.
- The computerized system of claim 10, wherein the services acquired by 12. [Unchanged]